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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM D

NOTICE OF SALE OF SECURITIES
PURSUANT TO REGULATION D,
SECTION 4(6), AND/OR

OMB APPROVAL						
OMB Num		235-0076				
Expires: Estimated	April 30	,2008				
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<b>SELLON</b>	UNIFORM LIMITED OFFERING EXEM	PTION L
Name of Offering ( check if th	is is an amendment and name has changed, and indicate change.)	
Benchmark Exploration LLC 20		
Filing Under (Check box(es) that app Type of Filing: New Filing		ULOE RECEIVED
	A. BASIC IDENTIFICATION DATA	AUG - 6 2007
1. Enter the information requested	about the issuer	4
Name of Issuer (  check if this is Benchmark Exploration LLC	s an amendment and name has changed, and indicate change.)	186
Address of Executive Offices 5074 North Illinois Rt. 130 Olne	(Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)	Telephone Number (Including Area Code)
Address of Principal Business Opera (if different from Executive Offices)	tions (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)	Telephone Number (Including Area Code)
Brief Description of Business		
Oil and Gas Exploration		
Type of Business Organization		
corporation	limited partnership, already formed other (pl	lease specify):
business trust	limited partnership, to be formed Limited Liabil	lity Company 07074173
GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS Federal: Who Must File: All issuers making an 17d(6).	CN for Canada; FN for other foreign jurisdiction)	r Section 4(6), 17 CFR 230.501 et seq. or 15 U.S.C.
When To File: A notice must be file and Exchange Commission (SEC) on	d no later than 15 days after the first sale of securities in the offering, the earlier of the date it is received by the SEC at the address given be ailed by United States registered or certified mail to that address.	
Where To File: U.S. Securities and	Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 205	549.
	this notice must be filed with the SEC, one of which must be manually copy or bear typed or printed signatures.	signed. Any copies not manually signed must be
	must contain all information requested. Amendments need only repor Part C, and any material changes from the information previously suppli	
Filing Fee: There is no federal filin	g fee.	
JLOE and that have adopted this former to be, or have been made. If a s	reliance on the Uniform Limited Offering Exemption (ULOE) for sa orm. Issuers relying on ULOE must file a separate notice with the Sa state requires the payment of a fee as a precondition to the claim for shall be filed in the appropriate states in accordance with state law.	ecurities Administrator in each state where sales the exemption, a fee in the proper amount shall
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		A. BASIC IDI	ENTIFICATION DATA		
2. Enter the information requ	ested for the fo	llowing:			
Each promoter of the	issuer, if the is	suer has been organized w	ithin the past five years;		
Each beneficial owner	r having the pov	ver to vote or dispose, or di	rect the vote or disposition	of, 10% or more of a	class of equity securities of the issuer.
Each executive office	r and director c	of corporate issuers and of	corporate general and man	naging partners of pa	artnership issuers; and
Each general and man	naging partner o	of partnership issuers.			
Charle Bay(as) that Analysis [	- December	Danafisial Owner	Executive Officer	Director.	✓ General and/or
Check Box(es) that Apply:	<b>✓</b> Promoter	Beneficial Owner	Executive Officer	Director	General and/or Managing Partner
Full Name (Last name first, if in	ndividual)		<u>.                                    </u>		
Business or Residence Address	(Number and	Street, City, State, Zip Co	ode)		
776 Vine St. Denver Co. 80	206	, <b>,</b> ,	·		
Check Box(es) that Apply:	Promoter	Beneficial Owner	Executive Officer	Director	General and/or Managing Partner
Full Name (Last name first, if it	ndividual)				
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Business or Residence Address		Street, City, State, Zip Co	ode)		
295 N. Harbour Dr. Chicago	, IL 60601				
Check Box(es) that Apply:	<b>✓</b> Promoter	Beneficial Owner	Executive Officer	Director	General and/or Managing Partner
Full Name (Last name first, if it Blumthal James	ndividual)				
Business or Residence Address	(Number and	Street, City, State, Zip Co	ode)		
4908 Whitewater Rd. Olney	IL 62450	,			
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					B. 17	NFORMAT	ION ABOU	T OFFERI	NG				
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3	Answer also in Appendix, Column 2, if filing under ULOE.  What is the minimum investment that will be accepted from any individual?											<b>c</b> 15,	00.00
2.	2. What is the minimum investment that will be accepted from any individual?											Yes	No
3.	. Does the offering permit joint ownership of a single unit?									E			
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۱.	Enter the aggregate offering price of securities included in this offering and the total amount already sold. Enter "0" if the answer is "none" or "zero." If the transaction is an exchange offering, check this box and indicate in the columns below the amounts of the securities offered for exchange and already exchanged.  Type of Securit '	Aggregate Offering Price	Amount Already Sold
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	Debt	<b>5</b>	\$
	Equity	5	\$
	Common Preferred		
	Convertible So urities (including warrants)		\$
	Partnership Int rests		\$
	Other (Specify Undivided Working Interests in Oil and Gas Wells	90,000.00	\$_90,000.00
	Total	90,000.00	\$_90,000.00
	Ar swer also in Appendix, Column 3, if filing under ULOE.		
2.	Enter the number of accredited and non-accredited investors who have purchased securities in this offering and the ag pregate dollar amounts of their purchases. For offerings under Rule 504, indicate the number of persons who have purchased securities and the aggregate dollar amount of their purchases on the total lines. Enter "0" if answer is "none" or "zero."		A
		Number Investors	Aggregate Dollar Amount of Purchases
			\$ 90,000.00
	Accredited In /estors		\$_00,000.00
	Non-accredit d Investors		3
	Total for filings under Rule 504 only)		\$
	Answer also in Appendix, Column 4, if filing under ULOE.		
3.	If this filing is for an offering under Rule 504 or 505, enter the information requested for all securities sold by the issuer, to date, in offerings of the types indicated, in the twelve (12) months prior to the first sale of securi ies in this offering. Classify securities by type listed in Part C — Question 1.		
		Type of	Dollar Amount
	Type of Offe ing	Security	Sold
	Rule 505	<del></del>	\$
	Regulation A		\$
	Rule 504	<del></del>	\$
	Total		\$_0.00
4	a. Furnish a statement of all expenses in connection with the issuance and distribution of the securities in this affering. Exclude amounts relating solely to organization expenses of the insurer. The information real beginning as subject to future contingencies. If the amount of an expenditure is not known, furnish an estimate and check the box to the left of the estimate.		
	Transfer Agent's Fees		\$
	Printing and Engraving Costs		\$
	Legal Fees.		s
	Accounting Fees		S
	Engineering Fees		S
	Sales Commissions (specify finders' fees separately)		s
	Other Exper ses (identify)	-	\$
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C. OFFERING PRICE, NUMBER OF INVESTORS, EXPENSES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

	C. OFFERING PRICE, NUM	BER OF INVESTORS, EXPENSES AND USE OF	PROCEEDS	
	o. Enter the differ nee between the aggregate offer and total expenses fi mished in response to Part C—proceeds to the issuer."		SS	\$
(	ndicate below the amount of the adjusted gross proceeds of the purposes shown. If the amount for an check the box to the left of the estimate. The total of the country to the issuer set forth in response to Part	ly purpose is not known, furnish an estimate ar f the payments listed must equal the adjusted gro	nd	
			Payments to Officers, Directors, & Affiliates	Payments to Others
:	Salaries and fees		[ ] <b>S</b>	<b>\$</b>
1	Purchase of real estate		🔲 \$	\$
1	Purchase, rental or Jeasing and installation of mac	chinery	\$	_ [] \$
(	Construction or leasing of plant buildings and fac	ilities	🗀 \$	
	Acquisition of other businesses (including the val offering that may be used in exchange for the asso ssuer pursuant to a merger)	ets or securities of another	🗍 <b>\$</b>	_ 🗆 \$
!	Repayment of indebtedness		🗌 \$	\$
,	Norking capital		┌ <b>s</b>	\$
	Other (specify): purchase of fractional undived	working interests in two oil and gas wells to		\$_90,000.00
	be drilled in Coles County Illinois			
			[] <b>\$</b>	\$
•	Column Totals			
,	Total Payments Listed (column totals added)		[ <b>\$</b> _9	0,000.00
_		D. FEDERAL SIGNATURE		
igna	ssuer has duly caused this notice to be signed by the ture constitutes an undertaking by the issuer to fur formation furnished by the issuer to any non-acc	rnish to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Comm	nission, upon writt	ule 505, the following en request of its staff,
ssuc	r (Print or Type)	Signature	Date	
Зеп	chmark Exploration LLC	1 MUWULL	7-24-07	
lam	e of Signer (Print or Type)	Title of Signer (Print or Type)		
obe	rt J. Tresslar	Manager		

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Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute federal criminal violations. (See 18 U.S.C. 1001.)

	E. STATE SIGNATURE		
1.	Is any party described in 17 CFR 230.262 presently subject to any of the disqualification provisions of such rule?	Yes	No

See Appendix, Column 5, for state response.

- 2. The undersigned issuer hereby undertakes to furnish to any state administrator of any state in which this notice is filed a notice on Form D (17 CFR 239.500) at such times as required by state law.
- 3. The undersigned issuer hereby undertakes to furnish to the state administrators, upon written request, information furnished by the issuer to offerces.
- 4. The undersigned issuer represents that the issuer is familiar with the conditions that must be satisfied to be entitled to the Uniform limited Offering Exemption (ULOE) of the state in which this notice is filed and understands that the issuer claiming the availability of this exemption has the burden of establishing that these conditions have been satisfied.

The issuer has read this notification and knows the contents to be true and has duly caused this notice to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned duly authorized person.

Issuer (Print or Type)	Signature	Date
Benchmark Exploration LLC		7-24-07
Name (Print or Type)	Title (Print or Type)	
Robert J. Tresslar	Manager	

## Instruction:

Print the name and title of the signing representative under his signature for the state portion of this form. One copy of every notice on Form D must be manually signed. Any copies not manually signed must be photocopies of the manually signed copy or bear typed or printed signatures.

				APPENDIX							
1	Intend to non-a investor (Part B	ccr s in	:dited State	Type of security and aggregate offering price offered in state (Part C-Item 1)	4  Type of investor and amount purchased in State (Part C-Item 2)					5 Disqualification under State ULOE (if yes, attach explanation of waiver granted) (Part E-Item 1)	
State	Yes		No		Number of Accredited Investors	Yes	No				
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State	Yes	_! !	No		Number of Accredited Investors	Amount	Number of Non-Accredited Investors	Amount	Yes	No
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State	Yes		.No		Number of Accredited Investors	Accredited Non-Accredited				No
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